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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: COMMODITIES - UNCTAD
COMMON FUND MEETING NOVEMBER 7 - DECEMBER 2

REF: STATE 179166

1. REFTTEL PROVIDED BACKGROUND ON COMMON FUND FOR

COMMODITIES ISSUE, AND ON ONGOING EFFORTS BY MAJOR OECD COUNTRIES TO DEVELOP A COMMON PROPOSAL FOR THE SECOND NEGOTIATING CONFERENCE IN NOVEMBER. THIS MESSAGE ASKS POSTS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON HOST COUNTRY DECISION-MAKING (AGENCIES, PERSONALITIES, PROCESS) ON ISSUE, AND ON ITS PARTICIPATION IN BOTH G-77 INTERNAL DELIBERATIONS AND NOVEMBER COMMON FUND MEETING. DEPT NEEDS THIS INFORMATION TO SHAPE LONG-RANGE STRATEGY FOR DISCUSSIONS AND CONSULTATIONS ON A COMMON FUND WITH G-77 COUNTRIES IN GENEVA, NEW YORK, AND IN CAPITALS. IN SEEKING THIS INFORMATION, POSTS ARE AUTHORIZED TO ENGAGE IN GENERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH HOST COUNTRY OFFICIALS ON BACKGROUND AND BASIC ELEMENTS OF ISSUE IF, IN THEIR DISCRETION, THEY CONSIDER IT USEFUL AND DESIRABLE TO DO SO. SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS FOR DISCUSSION ARE CONTAINED IN PARA 5 BELOW. REPLIES TO THIS MESSAGE SHOULD BE RECEIVED IN DEPT BY END OF AUGUST TO BE MOST USEFUL.

2. IN GATHERING INFORMATION REQUESTED, POSTS MAY FIND IT HELPFUL TO ASCERTAIN WAY IN WHICH HOST GOVERNMENT FORMED ITS POSITIONS FOR, AND PARTICIPATED IN, UNCTAD CONFERENCE ON COMMON FUND (7 MARCH - 1 APRIL), AND NOW PARTICIPATES (IF A MEMBER) IN THE 33-MEMBER SUB-GROUP IN GENEVA NOW DEVELOPING FINAL G-77 POSITIONS ON A COMMON FUND. GENEVA IS BEING ASKED TO PROVIDE CURRENT REPORT ON MEMBERSHIP IN GROUP OF 33 BY SEPTTEL.
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B. BASED ON PAST RECORD (PARA 2 ABOVE), WILL OFFICIALS FROM CAPITAL BE PART OF HOST COUNTRY DELEGATION AT NOVEMBER MEETING? TO WHAT EXTENT IS HOST GOVERNMENT LIKELY TO INSTRUCT THIS DELEGATION? IF INSTRUCTIONS WOULD NORMALLY BE VERY GENERAL OR NON-EXISTENT, COULD HOST GOVERNMENT BE INDUCED TO MORE CLOSELY INSTRUCT ITS DELEGATION AS A RESULT OF DISCUSSIONS WITH USG REPS ON THIS ISSUE?
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C. THE DEPT IS CONSIDERING THE POSSIBILITY OF SENDING AN EXPERT TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF G-77 CAPITALS TO DISCUSS COMMON FUND WITH HOST GOVERNMENT, BEARING IN MIND YOUR REPORT ON DEGREE OF HOST GOVERNMENT INTEREST IN THIS ISSUE AND ITS INFLUENCE WITHIN THE GROUP OF 77. IN EMBASSY'S

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--WE WOULD WELCOME YOUR VIEWS ON THIS ISSUE AND ON THE PROSPECTS FOR MAKING SATISFACTORY PROGRESS AT THE COMMON FUND NEGOTIATING CONFERENCE IN NOVEMBER.

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